

not have a family history of the disorder; however, a person with NF has a 50 percent chance of passing on NF with each child he or she has.

Although Tami is the only one in her family with NF type 1, she learned in her late teens that she had the disorder called Von Recklinghausen's Disease. However, her tumors did not start multiplying until she was a young adult. She has had a few thousand of tumors removed. She is in constant pain, but the condition does not stop her from performing her duties as a housekeeper at the nursing home where she has worked for the past eleven years.

I am encouraged by the NF research being conducted at the National Cancer Institute, the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, the National Human Genome Research Institute and medical centers throughout the United States, funded by the National Institutes of Health. With robust federal and privately funded NF research, it is my hope that one day soon we will have a cure for this disease.

TRIBUTE TO TIMILIE WOODRUFF

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to a wonderful individual from the community of Riverside, Timilie Woodruff, who passed away at her home on May 15, 2008. Timilie was a remarkable woman who was deeply devoted to her family and community.

Timilie was born on November 19, 1940, in Safford, Arizona where she attended Safford High School as well as The University of Arizona. She moved to the City of Riverside in 1969. For the past fourteen years Timilie worked as the Project Coordinator for the Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce. Her duties included organizing meetings for ten committees including agendas, notification, reports, minutes, and wanted information. She maintained and produced all correspondence for the President of the Chamber, kept and scheduled his calendar, answered phones and dispensed information to chamber callers. She also put together and choreographed weekly luncheons with major Riverside industries, Chamber Board, and local government officials. Timilie staffed the community leaders "Monday Morning Group" activities and "Leadership Riverside" program and managed schedules, meetings, files, correspondence, and logistics.

Before her job with the Chamber of Commerce, Timilie worked for the University of California, Riverside Office of Alumni and Parent Relations. Timilie handled everything from welcoming new students to serving as an advisor the Student Alumni Association. Timilie also previously worked for the United Way of the Inland Valleys, Riverside and for the American Heart Association, Riverside County Chapter.

Timilie was a valued member of the community and she will be sorely missed. She was a great mother, daughter, grandmother, companion and friend. Timilie is survived by her life partner of 15 years, Paul McAdam; sons,

Lenny and Chris; daughters in-law, Vickie and Debbie; mother, Isabel Nelson; brother, Story Nelson; and 5 grandchildren. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends.

Timilie will always be remembered for her ready smile, her positive attitude and the joy she brought to the people around her. Thank you and God Bless.

HONORING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF LAKE RIDGE FELLOWSHIP HOUSE

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor the 25th anniversary of the Lake Ridge Fellowship on June 7, 2008.

Located in Woodbridge, Virginia, this affordable housing development opened its doors in June 1983. Today the Lake Ridge Fellowship House serves over one hundred seniors on fixed incomes. Four out of five residents are women, many are widows who have lost a breadwinner's pension and a lifelong companion. Lake Ridge fills a unique niche in the Woodbridge area by supplying elderly residents with a safe environment in which they can enjoy recreational, educational and community-oriented activities. The Fellowship House is a vibrant example of community activism that should be replicated in other parts of the country.

Additionally, Lake Ridge provides affordable housing to both independent and mobility-impaired individuals. It offers secure and stable residences for seniors, thereby safeguarding citizens who might otherwise be unable to fully fend for themselves. In addition, Lake Ridge hosts arts and crafts, social activities, and boasts quiet reading alcoves. To better assist its mobility-impaired residents, the fellowship house provides transportation to and from local shopping areas.

Lake Ridge is one of only four privately owned fellowship houses in Virginia that are operated by the Fellowship Square Foundation, a subsidiary of the Lutheran Church. Sponsored by the Lutheran Lay Fellowship organization, it is a shining example of how the power of faith is used to fulfill a wide range of needs in our communities.

Madam Speaker, Lake Ridge Fellowship House is more than mere housing; it is the foundation of a rich and meaningful way of life for hundreds of senior citizens. In closing, I would like to congratulate Lake Ridge Fellowship House for providing twenty years of selfless commitment to Northern Virginia, and I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating their 25th anniversary.

RECOGNIZING JESSICA HERRERA-FLANIGAN

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jessica

Herrera-Flanigan, Staff Director and General Counsel of the Committee on Homeland Security for her dedication and service. Jessica will be leaving the Committee on Friday, June 6 for the private sector.

When I was the ranking minority member of the then Homeland Security Select Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development, Jessica served as the staff director for the subcommittee. Jessica worked tirelessly with me and then Chairman MAC THORNBERRY on the Homeland Security Department Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2004, which elevated the position of head of the department's National Cyber Security Division within the Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection Directorate to Assistant Secretary. This change was eventually made in the Homeland Security Authorization Act for FY 2006.

The subcommittee, chaired by Congressman THORNBERRY, was a rare scene of bipartisanship in the 108th Congress. Majority and minority staff collaborated just as minority and majority members did. This seamless bipartisanship reflected well upon Jessica, staff director for the subcommittee.

Jessica's commitment to our Nation's security is demonstrated by her service to the Committee on Homeland Security since its inception in 2003. Her knowledge of cybersecurity and critical infrastructure and other homeland security issues over the years has benefited Congress, the Committee on Homeland Security and this Nation and she will be greatly missed.

TRIBUTE TO JAYNE SHAPIRO

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. BERMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Jayne Shapiro, a good friend and a wonderful person. Jayne is being honored at Chabad of The Valley's 35th Annual Banquet with the "Woman of the Year Award" for her outstanding contributions to the health and safety of children in the State of California, to the welfare of the State of Israel and to many charitable organizations.

Soon after Jayne received her masters of public administration from CA State University Northridge, she began to help young and old people from all walks of life regardless of their background, affiliation or financial status. Her professional experience as a nurse and a sexual assault nurse examiner led her to establish a vitally important non-profit organization, KIDS SAFE. Her organization actively advanced numerous educational programs for the protection of children and worked tirelessly to persuade the California State Legislature to introduce the landmark Megan's Law. In 1999, to safeguard school campuses, Jayne established the Los Angeles Task Force on School Safety, bringing together school officials, law enforcement, teachers and parents in an effort to make campuses safer places to learn.

Over the years, Jayne has generously given her time and resources to numerous worthy organizations. She is a member of the National Executive Committee on the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) and is the former chairperson of the Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of the San Fernando Valley. She was appointed by the

Mayor to the Los Angeles Commission on the Status of Women, by the Governor to the State Developmental Disabilities Board, and by the Attorney General's Office of Continuing Justice Planning to the task force creating public policy on child internet safety. As Chair of the Los Angeles County Committee she helped pass the Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) at the Federal level. Her dedication to the causes dear to her is an inspiration to us all.

Jayne is the proud mother of four sons who have the same passion and commitment to helping people in our community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my distinguished colleagues to join me in saluting Jayne Shapiro and congratulating her upon receiving this richly deserved honor.

IN RECOGNITION OF TODD
"PARNEY" PARNELL

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments and dedication of Todd "Parney" Parnell. Mr. Parnell will be recognized for his service by the Penn's Woods Council Boy Scouts of America as their Distinguished Citizen at the 2008 Blair County Friends of Scouting Luncheon on June 11, 2008.

From the time Mr. Parnell graduated from Messiah College in 1988 with a degree in physical education, he has constantly worked to increase the value of the community in which he has lived. Mr. Parnell began his minor league baseball career in 1990 when he joined the Eastern League's Reading Phillies as the club's Director of Sales and Marketing. His vivacity for the business and sports world made him a considered candidate for Assistant General Manager. His dedication and hard work has not gone unnoticed, recently he was elected as the League's Representative to the Baseball Chapel. From 1997 to 2001, Mr. Parnell served as Vice President and General Manager of the Single-A Knapolls Intimidators in the South Atlantic League. His tenacity to lead a team to success resulted in his recognition as the 1999 South Atlantic League General Manager of the Year.

Today, Mr. Parnell has served the Altoona Curve as their General Manager for seven seasons. His eternal optimism makes him a joy to work with even in the most serious moments of business. Mr. Parnell has been a key factor in helping the Curve set multiple single-game and season attendance marks at the Blair County Ballpark. His outgoing personality has continued to move the team to shatter sponsorship and corporate sales records. Under the steadfast leadership of Mr. Parnell, the Curve has been honored as Minor League Baseball's top franchise and winner of the John H. Johnson President's Trophy. In 2004, Mr. Parnell was awarded the Eastern League Executive of the Year Award, as well as the Larry MacPhail Trophy for promotional excellence. His demonstrated dedication and enthusiasm to the Altoona Curve has allowed the team to soar to new heights and has made them one of the most respected minor league baseball teams.

As he reflects upon his work as General Manager and his lifetime of achievements, Mr. Parnell can certainly be proud of his life of service to his team and his community, in which he has found great success. I look forward to celebrating the contributions and accomplishments of such a dedicated individual. His involvement has brought a greater appreciation to our area and has surely been an asset to the community. I would like to wish Mr. Todd "Parney" Parnell the best in his future endeavors as he continues to serve the Altoona Curve as General Manager and a true leader. I thank him for his far-reaching commitment and service as he continues to add greatness to his community.

HONORING WILLIAM LOBBINS III

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize William Lobbins III of Parkville, Missouri. Brett is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1395, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

William has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years William has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending William Lobbins III for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

DR. STEPHEN KREBS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Stephen Krebs for being the recipient of the 2008 Golden Rotary Ethics in Business Award.

Dr. Krebs practices Internal Medicine in Wheat Ridge, Colorado and adheres to the highest ethical standards in his medical practice. Dr. Krebs enriches the lives of all that have the fortune to come in contact with him professionally or during his countless hours of volunteer service. Mentoring students, caring for local seniors and treating patients regardless of their ability to pay, Dr. Krebs' devotion to the community is limitless.

In business, Dr. Krebs' generosity is coupled with a continued commitment to conservation. Dr. Krebs recycles all of his household and office materials. In addition, he has converted his entire office to a paperless office significantly reducing paper consumption.

Dr. Stephen Krebs' conviction to ethical standards and initiatives in social responsibility are a model for outstanding ethics in business and is an example for all businesses to emulate. I extend my deepest congratulations to

Dr. Stephen Krebs as the winner of the 2008 Golden Rotary Ethics in Business Award.

TRIBUTE TO THE CONNECTICUT
HUMANITIES COUNCIL

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, the humanities have shaped nearly every aspect of our modern civilization, from our political and legal systems to architecture. Today, the proliferation of humanity fields remains as important as ever and the Connecticut Humanities Council has strived to preserve academic and cultural ideals in our community. This year, the Council celebrates its 35th anniversary.

For 35 years, the Connecticut Humanities Council has enriched our community academically and culturally and has provided greater insights into our Connecticut, and more broadly, American roots and values. Through ideology and practice, the Connecticut Humanities Council has also exemplified a public access objective. Since inception, the Council has derived public and private funds to support relevant and accessible humanities programs throughout our community, focusing on history and literature disciplines.

Programs sponsored by the Connecticut Humanities Council extend beyond the confines of museums, libraries, or any other academic institution. Programs like the family reading program, Motherread/Fatherread, typify the extensions of broader values and life lessons in a meaningful and impactful setting. The Motherread/Fatherread program not only engages a lifelong love of reading and learning, but brings families closer together by encouraging parents to read with their children.

Madam Speaker, on this 35th anniversary, I ask my colleagues to join with me and my constituents in recognizing the countless individuals and organizations that have brought the goals of the Council to fruition, by preserving our past and supporting the highest aspirations for our future.

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPER-
INTENDENT STEPHEN WATER-
MAN

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to express my gratitude and admiration for Stephen J. Waterman on the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of schools of Brisbane and Bayshore School Districts.

Stephen Waterman is a special individual, an inspired educator and a passionate advocate for schoolchildren. For fifteen years, he has served as Superintendent of the Brisbane School District, a small, underfunded agency nestled in a bucolic hamlet overlooking San Francisco Bay. His work there to educate children, encourage teachers and motivate parents at a time of dwindling state resources and increased federal mandates was so well-received, that in 2002, neighboring Bayshore School District asked him to do the same for their students.